## **ENTERED**

November 14, 2017 David J. Bradley, Clerk

## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS GALVESTON DIVISION

KURBY G. DECKER,	§
TDCJ #00594703,	§
	<b>§</b>
Plaintiff,	§
VS.	§ CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:16-CV-195
	§
LT. CURTIS D. SWEED, et al,	§
	§
Defendants.	§

## ORDER OF DISMISSAL

Plaintiff, Kurby G. Decker (TDCJ #00594703), is an inmate in the custody of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Correctional Institutions Division ("TDCJ"). He filed a civil rights complaint in the Austin Division of the Western District of Texas. That complaint was severed into several cases, one of which was transferred here (Dkt. 40).

Decker is a three-strike filer, meaning that he has, while incarcerated, filed at least three lawsuits that were dismissed for being frivolous, for being malicious, or for failing to state a claim upon which relief may be granted. See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g). As a result, Decker may not bring this action in forma pauperis ("IFP") unless he was under imminent danger of serious physical injury at the time he filed his complaint. Banos v. O'Guin, 144 F.3d 883, 885 (5th Cir. 1998). The Texas Attorney General has served

Decker actually has four strikes: Northern District of Texas Case Numbers 7:92-CV-83, 7:92-CV-132, and 7:01-CV-63 and Western District of Texas Case Number 1:02-CV-615.

notice on Decker that he has three strikes (Dkt. 44 at p. 7), but Decker has neither responded nor paid the \$400.00 filing fee.

The Court ORDERS that this case is DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE as barred by 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g). The case will be reopened if Decker pays the filing fee in full within thirty days of the date of this order.

The Clerk of this Court shall send a copy of this Order to the parties.

SIGNED at Galveston, Texas, on North 14, 2017.